

SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN.

That at the general election to be held in this state on the Tuesday following the first Monday in November, 1918, the following amendment to the Constitution of the state of Missouri shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the state, to-wit:

Section 12a. Certain cities allowed to incur additional indebtedness for water works and light plants.—Any city in this state containing not more than thirty thousand (30,000) nor less than two thousand (2,000) inhabitants may, with the assent of two-thirds of the voters thereof, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, be allowed to become indebted in a larger amount than specified in section twelve, of article ten (10) of the Constitution of this state, not exceeding an additional five (5) per centum of the value of the taxable property therein, for the purpose of purchasing or constructing water-works, electric or other light plants, to be owned exclusively by the city, or for purchasing or constructing the same, or for the purpose of defraying all or any part of the cost of paving, macadamizing, grading or otherwise improving the roadway of any street, avenue or alley within the corporate limits of such city, so that said section shall read as follows:

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YES

NO

SIXTH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Joint and concurrent resolution submitting to the qualified voters of the state of Missouri an amendment to the Constitution thereof, concerning the prohibition of the manufacture, sale and giving away of intoxicating liquors within the state of Missouri, to-wit:

BE IT ENACTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

That at the general election to be held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November, 1918, the following amendment to the Constitution of Missouri, concerning prohibition, shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said state, to-wit:

Section 1. The manufacture of intoxicating liquors is hereby prohibited in this state, except for medicinal, scientific or mechanical purposes. The sale of intoxicating liquors is hereby prohibited in this state, except for medicinal, scientific or mechanical purposes. The giving away of intoxicating liquors is also prohibited in this state, except for medicinal, scientific or mechanical purposes. The manufacture or sale of wine for religious or sacramental purposes is also excepted. This constitutional provision shall not take effect until November 1, 1919.

YES

NO

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of Missouri by the Initiative.

SEVENTH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

A proposition to establish in the state treasury a homestead loan fund to be loaned to the citizens of the state of Missouri for the purpose of purchasing homesteads and erecting permanent improvements thereon, to be secured by a first lien on the homestead, and to bear three per cent interest commencing one year from the date of the loan; providing for the repayment thereof, and empowering the Legislature to enact necessary legislation to make effective the provisions hereof.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI: The Constitution of the state shall be and the same is hereby amended to read the following Section to Article XIV thereof:

Sec. 13. There is hereby established in the State Treasury a fund to be known as the Homestead Loan Fund.

Said Homestead Loan Fund shall be lent to citizens of Missouri for the following purposes and for no other purpose whatever: (1) to purchase homesteads; (2) to erect permanent improvements on homesteads. Not more than three-fourths of the appraised value of any homestead shall be lent thereon; provided, however, that three-fourths of the appraised value of the improvement may be added to the three-fourths of the appraised value of the land to ascertain the limit of the loan. No loan exceeding three thousand dollars shall be made on one homestead. Every loan shall be secured by note and mortgage and by constituting a first lien on the homestead, except taxes and special assessments; and the improvements on the homestead shall be kept safely insured against fire and windstorm to the full insurable value thereof, and the policies shall be assigned as additional security for the loan. Every loan made from said fund shall bear interest at three per cent per annum, beginning one year after date of the loan, which interest, together with one-twentieth of the principal, shall be paid at the end of the second year and at the end of each year thereafter until the loan is paid in full; provided, however, that if the homestead on which such loan is made shall be used as such by the owner thereof or his family, then the unpaid portion of such loan shall become payable in three equal installments falling due at the dates of the next three installments of the loan as due by the original terms thereof, with interest at six per cent per annum.

It shall be the duty of the Legislature at its first meeting following the ratification of this amendment to enact such legislation as may give full force and effect to the provisions thereof, and of all state and local officers respectively to execute the same under penalty of a forfeiture of their office.

YES

NO

EIGHTH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Providing that all public revenues

shall be derived from taxation upon the unimproved value of land based upon assessments made on and after June 1st, 1919, and from taxes upon the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors and tobacco, and on incomes and inheritances; abolishing all constitutional limitations on the rates of taxation, and empowering the legislature, county courts and municipal authorities to fix the rate for state and school taxes and municipal purposes, respectively, imposing no limit on the rate of public utilities for purposes of taxation, and repealing all constitutional provisions in conflict herewith.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI:

The Constitution of Missouri shall be and the same is hereby amended by adding the following Section to Article X thereof:

All public revenues for state, county, municipal, school and all other public purposes shall be derived from taxes on the value of land exclusive of improvements and from such taxes as may be imposed by law on the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors and tobacco, and on incomes and inheritances; but this shall not prevent the imposition of such license taxes as may be necessary to a proper exercise of the police power. Rights of way for public utilities shall be deemed property in land and the value thereof shall be taxed accordingly, if not owned by the public. This amendment shall govern all taxes for which assessments shall be made on and after June 1st, 1919, but not those assessments made prior to that date. The constitutional limitations of rates of assessment and taxation are hereby abolished, and the legislature is hereby empowered to fix such rate of taxation as shall produce the revenue required for state and school purposes and in counties the County Court of such county and in municipalities the governing authorities of such municipality shall have power to determine the rate necessary to produce the revenue needed from time to time for municipal purposes, provided that any school district in the state may increase the rate for school purposes fixed by the legislature by submitting such increase to a vote of the people of such district. All provisions of the Constitution conflicting herewith are repealed so far as they are in conflict.

YES

NO

NINTH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

Authorizing cities having a population of more than one hundred thousand inhabitants to provide by ordinance for the election of a charter commission to frame a new charter, and for the adoption thereof, and providing the method by which amendments may be made thereto.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI:

That at the general election to be held on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November, 1918, there shall be submitted to the qualified voters of Missouri, for adoption or rejection, the following constitutional amendment, to-wit: The repeal of sections thirteen and seventeen of Article Nine of the Constitution of Missouri, and the adoption of the following new sections in lieu thereof:

Section 13. Charter. Framed by large cities having a population of more than one hundred thousand inhabitants may frame and adopt a charter for their own government, consistent with and subject to the Constitution and laws of the state in the following manner: The legislative authorities of the city may provide, by ordinance, for submission to the voters the question: "Shall a commission be chosen to frame a charter?" If such ordinance becomes effective more than sixty days before the next election such question shall be submitted at such election, and if not, then at the next general election thereafter, except as herein otherwise provided. Such question shall also be submitted, when requested by a petition signed by 15 per cent of the qualified voters of such city, filed with the Board of Election Commissioners or such board or officials as may be in charge of municipal elections in such city. If such petition prays for a special election and is signed by 20 per cent of the qualified voters of such city, a special election shall be held in such city not less than ninety days after the filing of such petition. The percentage of electors required to sign any petition provided for herein shall be based upon the total number of electors voting at the last preceding general municipal election. The petitions herein provided for shall be canvassed by the Board of Election Commissioners or other officials having charge of municipal elections in such city, and its determination as to the sufficiency of such petition shall be final. The question of whether or not a commission shall be chosen to frame a new charter and the names of electors or sets of names of electors of the city, who are candidates for nomination by petition, shall be printed on the same ballot. Candidates for the proposed commission shall be nominated by petition signed by not less than a per cent of the qualified voters of such city and filed with the Board of Election Commissioners, or other officials having charge of municipal elections in such city, at least thirty days prior to such election; provided, that in no case shall the signatures of more than 1,000 voters be required to nominate a candidate. If a majority of electors voting on the question of whether or not a charter commission shall be chosen to frame a charter, vote in the affirmative, then the thirteen candidates receiving the greater number of votes shall constitute such commission.

Any charter so framed shall be signed by a majority of the commission, and filed with said electors, who shall submit said charter to the electors of the city at an election to be held at a time fixed by the charter, but at least thirty days subsequent to the completion of the charter and not more than one year from the date of the election of such commission. Any part or parts of a charter so framed may be submitted to be voted upon separately and shall be deemed adopted if it shall receive a majority of the votes on such proposition. Any alternative section or article may be presented separately, without prejudice to other articles or sections of the charter. If a charter is adopted at such election, the electors voting on the proposition of whether or not such charter shall be adopted, it shall become the charter of such city at the time fixed therein. Duplicate certificates shall be made, setting forth the charter adopted and its ratification, which shall be signed by the

chief magistrate of the city, and authenticated by its corporate seal. One of such certified copies shall be deposited in the office of the Secretary of State and the other, after being recorded in the records of the city, shall be deposited among the archives of the city and all courts shall take judicial notice thereof. Notice for any election provided for in this section shall be published for at least three weeks in at least one newspaper shall have a bona fide sale or circulation in such city of at least 2,000 copies of each issue, in which such notice is published, and which newspaper has been published continuously for fifty-two weeks next before the publication of such notice; such publication of such notice to be made at least once each week and on the same day of the week in each of said three weeks, and the last publication to be within two weeks of the date of such election.

Section 17. Amendments to any charter framed and adopted under the authority of Section thirteen of this Constitution, may be submitted to the electors of the city in the manner provided for the submission of a complete charter. Amendments may also be proposed by the legislative authorities of the city or by petition of not less than 15 per cent of the qualified voters of the city, filed with the Board of Election Commissioners, or other officials having charge of municipal elections in such city, at least thirty days prior to such election; provided, that in no case shall the signatures of more than 1,000 voters be required to nominate a candidate. If a majority of electors voting on the question of whether or not a charter commission shall be chosen to frame a charter, vote in the affirmative, then the thirteen candidates receiving the greater number of votes shall constitute such commission.

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STATE OF MISSOURI.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

I, JOHN L. SULLIVAN, Secretary of the state of Missouri, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the joint and concurrent resolutions of the Forty-ninth General Assembly of the State of Missouri, also of the three amendments to the Constitution proposed by initiative petition, submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Missouri at the general election to be held on Tuesday, the 5th day of November, 1918.

TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereby set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, Done at office in the City of Jefferson this 12th day of August, A. D. 1918.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN, Secretary of State.

(Seal)

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

In the Buchanan County Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1919.

State of Missouri, County of Buchanan, vs. C. E. Israel, Plaintiff.

Maude Israel, Defendant.

Now at this day came the plaintiff by his Attorney, J. L. McCreary, and does not reside there; it is ordered that said non-resident defendant be notified by publication, as required by law, that said plaintiff has commenced suit in this Court against said defendant by petition and affidavit, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree of divorce from the defendant upon the grounds of intemperance, such as to render his condition in life intolerable, in this to-wit: that for the last five or six years said defendant has exhibited toward this plaintiff such conduct of indifference and has treated him with such contempt as to cause him great humiliation; that she has exhibited a most violent temper and cursed and swore at him; that she refused to be a wife to him; that she has exhibited a strong liking for the company of other men and that on the 8th day of May, 1918, she left her home with plaintiff in company with another man and is now living in the State of Wyoming with another man; that unless the said defendant shall be and appear at the next term of this Court to be begun and held at the Court House, in the City of St. Joseph, in Buchanan County, State of Missouri, on the 6th day of January, 1919, or on or before the third day of said term, to answer plaintiff's petition, the same will be taken for confessed as to her and judgment rendered accordingly.

It is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published in The St. Joseph Observer, a newspaper published in the County of Buchanan, for four weeks successively, the last section of which to be at least fifteen days before the next January, 1919, term of this Court.

A copy, Attest:

ROSS C. COX, Clerk.

By J. L. McCreary, Deputy Clerk.

Sherman, Owen & Lake, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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In the Circuit Court of Buchanan County, Missouri, January Term, 1919.

William B. Smith, Plaintiff.

vs. Elmer L. Herring, Albert Malcolm Herring, Margaret Herring, James W. Ellis, George Ellis, Charles Ellis, Annie Baker, Frederick Baker, Mary F. Gardner, Rufus Gardner, Creed Herring, Mary E. Herring, Catherine Herring, Joel C. Herring, and the unknown consorts, heirs, devisees, donees, assignees, or immediate, mesne or remote, voluntary or involuntary grantees of Creed Herring, Mary E. Herring, Catherine Herring, Joel C. Herring.

The State of Missouri to the above named or described defendants, Greeting: You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court of the County of Buchanan, in the State of Missouri, affecting the title to the following described lands and tenements, to-wit: Beginning at the southeast corner of the west half of the southeast quarter of Section twenty-eight (28) Township Fifty-six (56), Range Thirty-three (33), Buchanan County, Missouri; thence west twenty-five (25) rods; thence north one hundred twenty-eight (128) rods; thence east twenty-five (25) rods; thence south one hundred twenty-eight (128)

rods to the place of beginning; which said action is returnable on the first day of the next term of said court to be held in the above house in the City of St. Joseph, in the County and State aforesaid, on the 6th day of January, 1919, when and where you may appear and answer or otherwise defend such action; otherwise plain tiff's petition will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly.

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ROSS C. COX, Clerk.

By Eugene Rose, Deputy Clerk.

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All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance, within six months from date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if said claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred.

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IN BENIGHTED BOSTON.

Owing to the war a distinguished Boston man, deprived of his summer trip to Europe, went to the Pacific coast instead. Stopping off at Salt Lake City, he strolled about the city and made the acquaintance of a little Mormon girl.

"I'm from Boston," he said to her: "I suppose you do not know where Boston is?"

"Oh, yes, I do," answered the little girl eagerly. "Our Sunday school has a missionary there."

HIS FORMER TRADE.

"Now," said the colonel, looking along the line of recruits, "I want a good smart bugler."

At that point stepped a dilapidated fellow who had a thick stubble of black beard.

"What?" said the colonel, springing him up and down. "Are you a bugler?"

"Oh, bugler!" said he. "I thought you said 'bugler'."

Jones Bell, a negro of about thirty years, died early yesterday morning,